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WISCONSIN HUNTING DOG RETRIEVAL

Dogs can stray onto property where their owners do not have permission to be.

Currently the dog can not be legally retrieved without the property owner's consent.

Property owners cannot always be located to obtain the permission necessary to retrieve the hunting dog. A quick retrieval is always in the best interests of the dog, dog owner and property owner.

In the surounding states of Michigan, Minnesota, Illinois and Iowa a person on foot may, without permission, enter private land without a firearm to retrieve a hunting dog. After then dog is leashed the person must immediately exit the property. This does not allow the taking of any game.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Iowa County on April 8, 2013 recommends that the Conservation Congress with the Department to take action to correct this situation by introducing a rule change allowing retrieval of a hunting dog from property without the express permission of the propert owner.

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